

Torrance, California
June 21, 1949

MINUTES OF AN ADJOURNED REGULAR
MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL
OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE

The Adjourned Regular Meeting of the Torrance City Council convened in the Council Chamber, City Hall, at 8:07 o' clock p.m., Mayor Sherfey presiding. Those responding to roll call were: Councilmen: Drale, Haggard, Jackson, Powell and Sherfey. Also in attendance were City Attorney Smith and City Manager Stevens.

Meeting opened with salute to the Flag by all persons present.

This being an adjourned regular meeting, the regular order of business was dispensed with.

WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS

Clerk Bartlett read the following communications:

Letter from City Dump & Salvage thanking the Council for the courtesy extended them. Matter of record.

Request from Jack Dabbs for a passenger loading zone in front of the Stadium Theatre. Councilman Drale moved the communication be referred to Police Commission for its recommendation at next Council meeting. Motion, seconded by Councilman Powell, carried unanimously.

Request from Las Vecinas (residents of Hollywood Riviera and Seaside Ranchos) for construction of double tennis court for night playing at El Retiro Park. Councilman Powell moved letter be referred to City Manager for study along with the budget. Motion, seconded by Councilman Jackson, unanimously carried.

Request for license from Hoffman Purchasing Service Co. Councilman Powell moved matter be referred to City Clerk and License Collector to determine status of this particular business and make recommendation at next meeting. Motion, seconded by Councilman Jackson, carried unanimously.

Request from James Carpenter for permit to operate business from his home. Councilman Drale moved request be referred to Dale Riley for thorough investigation and report at next meeting. Motion, seconded by Councilman Powell, carried unanimously.

Request from Seaside Ranchos Home Owners' Ass'n to use Merry-Go-Round in Seaside Ranchos Park on July 4. Motion by Councilman Drale that request be granted was seconded by Councilman Jackson and unanimously carried.

Letter from Mrs. A. L. Sherertz requesting aid in getting gas service at 1721 Fern Ave. Councilman Powell moved matter be referred to Assistant City Engineer and City Manager for action to insure service. Motion, seconded by Councilman Drale, carried unanimously.

Request from Mrs. J. Q. Tufts, 236th St., to keep house trailer on property for living quarters. Councilman Jackson moved that usual procedure of a temporary permit for 90 days be granted. Motion, seconded by Councilman Drale, carried unanimously.

Letter from Judge Willett requesting bail refund of \$25.00 for Byron E. Shirley. Councilman Drale moved recommendation be concurred in. Motion, seconded by Councilman Jackson, carried unanimously by roll call vote.

Request of Torrance Area Youth Band for \$600.00 for May and June was re-read. City Manager recommended this be paid as final payment on appropriation. Councilman Jackson moved Council concur in City

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Manager's recommendation. Motion, seconded by Councilman Haggard, carried unanimously by roll call vote.

Request from Torrance Lodge No. 785, Loyal Order of Moose, for license to conduct Keno-Skill Quiz game. Councilman Drale suggested this matter be tabled until later in the evening.

Letter from Board of Directors of Chamber of Commerce opposing Keno-Quiz.

Letter signed by five ministers opposing Keno-Quiz.

Letter from Torrance YMCA opposing Keno-Quiz.

Letter from Torrance Council of Churches opposing Keno-Quiz.

Letter from First Baptist Church opposing Keno-Quiz.

Letter from W. E. Bowen opposing Keno-Quiz.

Clerk Bartlett read title to the following:

ORDINANCE NO. 471

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE PROHIBITING THE DEPOSITING OF GARBAGE, COMBUSTIBLE OR NON-COMBUSTIBLE RUBBISH UPON ANY STREET OR ALLEY IN THE CITY OF TORRANCE.

Councilman Jackson moved further reading of Ordinance No. 471 be dispensed with. Motion, seconded by Councilman Powell, carried unanimously by roll call vote. Councilman Jackson moved for the adoption of Ordinance No. 471 at its second and final reading. Motion, seconded by Councilman Powell, carried unanimously by roll call vote.

ORDINANCE NO. 472

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE PROHIBITING THE OBSTRUCTION OF SURFACE WATERS, CAUSING DAMAGE TO STREETS AND ALLEYS, AND PROVIDING PENALTIES THEREFOR.

Councilman Drale moved further reading of Ordinance No. 472 be dispensed with. Motion, seconded by Councilman Jackson, carried unanimously by roll call vote. Councilman Drale moved for the adoption of Ordinance No. 472 at its second and final reading. Motion, seconded by Councilman Powell, carried unanimously by roll call vote.

Letter from County Health Department was read re contract for fiscal year. Councilman Haggard moved Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to execute contract. Motion, seconded by Councilman Powell, carried unanimously by roll call vote.

Recommendations of City Manager were read:

APPROPRIATIONS:

1. For the purchase of playground equipment and materials for joint summer recreation program, the sum of \$150.00.
2. For the purchase of additional street lighting equipment, the sum of \$125.00.
3. For the payment to Barclay Surveying Company, for engineering services on Walteria Sewer Project, the sum of \$704.00.

Councilman Powell moved recommendations be concurred in. Motion, seconded by Councilman Jackson, carried unanimously by roll call vote.

MISCELLANEOUS:

1. That all bids for the collection and disposal of garbage and refuse be rejected, and the City Clerk authorized to return the checks; and that new bids be invited to be received on June 28, 1949.

Councilman Drale moved recommendation be concurred in. Motion, seconded by Councilman Jackson, carried unanimously by roll call vote.

RECOMMENDATIONS TO TAXATION AND BUDGET COMMITTEE:

Robert J. Plomert, Jr., Sam Levy, Howard Locke and Mrs. Rayonette Brown.

Councilman Powell moved Council concur in recommendations. Motion, seconded by Councilman Haggard, carried unanimously by roll call vote. City Manager Stevens explained function of Committee and called meeting for Friday, June 24, at 8:00 a.m.

City Manager Stevens presented to Clerk Bartlett preliminary budget for Library for fiscal year. Councilman Jackson moved budget be accepted and turned over to Committee for study. Motion, seconded by Councilman Powell, carried unanimously.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

Boris Woolley, representing the VFW, responded to letters protesting Keno-Quiz. Lengthy discussion pro and con was had by members of audience: Rev. England (Christian Church), Mrs. Weigand (VFW Aux.), Alan Moore (teacher), Commander Mason (Hollywood Riviera), Paul Slonecker, Mr. Morrang, Faye Dobson (Moose Lodge), Mr. Clark (Recreation Commission), Mrs. Rene Dean, Mrs. Ruth Dobson, Mr. Trisler, and members of the Council. At close of discussion, Councilman Drale inquired as to status of motion made at last meeting re ordinance proposing permit. Mayor Sherfey explained the suggested meeting had been held; that City Attorney had advised no ordinance need be drawn - if Council wished to permit the game, Ordinance No. 381 could be amended to cover license fee.

Councilman Haggard moved license request from Loyal Order of Moose and VFW be denied. Motion was seconded by Councilman Jackson and carried by following roll call vote: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Haggard, Jackson, Powell and Sherfey. NAYS: COUNCILMEN: Drale.

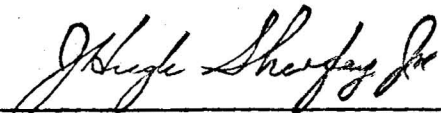
A gentleman in the audience from Glendale, representing a wholesaler and jobber of fireworks, reopened the fireworks issue and was declared out of order by Mayor Sherfey, public already having had an opportunity to be heard.

Councilman Haggard moved all bills properly audited be paid. Motion, seconded by Councilman Jackson, carried unanimously by roll call vote.

At 9:23 p.m., Councilman Haggard moved meeting be adjourned. Motion, seconded by Councilman Jackson, carried unanimously.


CITY CLERK OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE

APPROVED:


MAYOR OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE